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WSBIS Working Group Mission

To ensure that WSBIS will effectively support the federally mandated bridge inspection program for both the state and local agencies, and when feasible support other bridge inspections outside the scope of the federal mandate.

WSBIS Working Group Goals (Tasks)

#1 - Establish Local Agency Data Standards. The WSBIS Working Group will guide all aspects of the data maintained in WSBIS for the Local Agency Managed Operations. This includes determining the use and definition of specific local agency data fields for bridge records, defining which local agency bridge records are maintained in the database, and which inspection report types are maintained for local agencies. This goal will be considered achieved when the application development team clearly understands which data fields, bridge records, and inspection records will be maintained during the transition from the current HLP database to the new merged WSBIS database.

#2 - Develop Specifications for the HLP Managed Operations. This task will establish how the Local Agency "Managed Operations" in WSBIS will function, including specifying the appearance and functionality of the forms, reports, and to some extent the permissions structure. This goal will be considered achieved when the application development team clearly understands how the managed operations should function.

#3 - Facilitate Local Agency Testing of HLP Managed Operations. This task will develop an overall testing strategy for the Local Agency Managed Operations and facilitate local agency involvement in the WSBIS testing process. This goal will be considered achieved when the WSBIS Working Group "accepts" the upcoming version of WSBIS.

#4 - Promote Awareness and Involvement of Other Local Agencies in WSBIS Development. This WSBIS Working Group will actively include other local agencies in the development process, both disseminating information about WSBIS, and also seeking input in an effort to identify requirements. Success will be measured by the overall satisfaction of the wider local agency staff with the completed WSBIS application.